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CBRN Respirator Standards Development

- Where We've Been
 - CBRN SCBA Standard December 2001
 - CBRN APR Standard March 2003
- Where Are We Now:
 - CBRN SCBA Certification In Process
 - CBRN APR Certification In Process
 - CBRN Escape Respirator In Development
- Where Are We Going:
 - Timeline





CBRN Respirator Standards Development



- SCBA- December 2001







Escape Respirators – October 2003





- Other Respirators - 2004, 2005





CBRN Respirator Standards Development

- CBRN Concept Development Program Management
 - Milestones and Timelines
 - Stakeholder Meetings and Discussions
 - Public Meetings
- CBRN Respirator Concept Requirements
 - Concept Development
 - Performance/Design Requirements
 - Performance Preferred
 - Design Where Required
 - Technical Integrity / Strong User Demand





CBRN Respirator Standards Development

- CBRN Respirator Concept Requirements
 - Logical / Consistent Rationale
 - Sound Engineering & Scientific Principles
- Consequence
 - Stretch Technology
 - Existing Respirators May Not Comply
 - Requirements Within Reach of State of The Art Respirator Design





CBRN Escape Respirator Concept Goal:

Develop a NIOSH standard for escape only respirators that addresses CBRN materials identified as inhalation hazards from possible terrorist events for use by the general working population.





- Hazard Analysis Complex Problem
- Intended Escape from Where and What
 - Hot Zone High Concentrations
 - Warm Zone Low Concentrations
- Wide Variation In Hazard / Threat
- Multiple Escape Activities





- Escape from terrorism events complex problem
 - Hazard / Threat Analysis
 - Site Specific
 - Escape strategy:
 - Exit Immediately
 - Progress to designated area
 - Shelter-In-Place
 - Threat & Escape Strategy
 - Impact on escape respirator required





- Three Categories of Protection
 - HIGH Category
 - SPECIFIC Category
 - LOW Category





- HIGH Category:
 - Unknown Hazards / High Concentrations
 - Oxygen Deficiency
 - Universal Solution for Escape Protection
- SPECIFIC Category:
 - Multi Hazard Protection
 - CWA Capability
 - Specific TIM's from CBRN Hazard
- LOW Category:
 - Multi Hazard Protection (CBRN APR Hazards)
 - Escape From Low Level Concentrations





CBRN Escape Respirator Concept

Category

Hazard Description

Respirator **Performance**

HIGH

(Hot & Warm Zone)

SPECIFIC

(Hot & Warm Zone)

LOW (General)

(Warm Zone)

CWA & TIM Hazard

High Concentrations and/or O₂ Deficiency

CWA & Specific TIM

Hazard

High Concentrations

Adequate O₂

CWA & TIM Hazard

Low Concentrations

Adequate O₂

Self-Contained

Respirator

Air Purifying

Respirator

Air Purifying

Respirator

CBRN Escape Respirator Concept Development

Objective:

- Develop Escape Respirator Standard Concept
 - Addresses Protection Needs
 - Achieves Balance Between Performance and Use





CBRN Escape Respirator Concept Development

Performance

- Respiratory Protection From Hazards
- Meet Physiological Requirements
- Ruggedness / Environmental Cond.
- Materials vs. Hazards vs. Storage

Use

- Human Interface
- Donning
- Training
- Size / Weight





CBRN Escape Respirator Concept

- Meeting Focus: April 15, 2003 Concept
 - Part 1: CBRN Air Purifying Escape Respirator
 - Part 2: CBRN Self-Contained Escape Respirator
- Concept Statement of Requirements
 - Address Protection & Use Needs
 - Achieve Balance Between Protection & Use
 - Stretch Technology <u>BUT</u> Stays Within
 Reach of State of The Art Respirator Design





CBRN Escape Respirator Concept Development

- Draft Respirator Concept Requirements
- Development Process
- Concept Revisions Posted on Website
- Revision Frequency
 Maximum Twice a Month
 Middle and End of Month



